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Dear Representative Crawford,

My name is Barry Beltz. I am a member in Great Lakes Fireworks, LLC a Michigan fireworks display company and wholesaler. I am writing to oppose House Bill 4293 (H-2) as written. Although this version is more acceptable than previous drafts, there remain some serious problems for the display fireworks industry. Section 4 is very detrimental to the display fireworks industry. 1.3G professional fireworks are not regulated by the CPSC because, of course, we exceed their powder limits. Professional 1.3G fireworks transportation, storage and manufacturing are regulated by the DOT and BATF. To correct this, "All fireworks and fireworks products" should be changed to "All consumer fireworks and consumer fireworks products". In addition, Section 6 (6) calls for the state fire marshal's office to inspect fireworks warehouses. Storage magazines are regulated and inspected by the BATF. This issue could be resolved by changing the wording "where fireworks are stored" to "where consumer fireworks are stored". Lastly I question Section 16 (2), Why destroy seized fireworks? If confiscated fireworks were auctioned the seizing agency could recoup some of its confiscation, storage and prosecution costs.

Respectfully,

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